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February 6, 2003

Mr. Lester Huckins
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Town of Strafford
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LETTER OF COMPLIANCE
For
LETTER OF DEFICIENCY
ARD No. 2001-002

Dear Mr. Huckins:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division ("DES"), has reviewed the actions taken by the Town of Strafford in response to the Letter of Deficiency No. ARD 2001-002 ("LOD"). DES has determined that the specific issues identified in the LOD have been resolved in a manner consistent with the N.H. Admin. Rules Env-A 100 *et seq.*, N.H. Rules Governing the Control of Air Pollution. Specifically, DES representatives inspected the Strafford Transfer Station and Recycling Center on November 15, 2002 and found that the facility was not accepting brush at that time. Further, on December 4, 2002, David Degler of DES spoke with JoAnn Brown, Selectwoman for the Town of Strafford who confirmed that until further notice, burning of brush will not be conducted. As the Town of Strafford has temporarily suspended the burning of brush, it is DES's determination that compliance with the LOD has been achieved. Accordingly, DES is issuing this Letter of Compliance.

Please be advised that DES will continue to monitor the compliance status of the Strafford Transfer Station and Recycling Center. This letter does not provide relief against any existing or future violations. In the event that the Town of Strafford recommences open burning, it is important that the Town be aware of and complies with all of the requirements in its Authorization to Burn No. OB-00000739 and Env-A 1000, *Prevention, Abatement and Control of Open Source Air Pollution*. Please feel free to contact DES should you have any questions regarding compliance with the rules or the Authorization to Burn.

DES recognizes the efforts that the Town of Strafford has taken to come into compliance. If you have any questions regarding this Letter of Compliance, please contact Joseph Ritz, Compliance Bureau, Air Resources Division at (603) 271-1391. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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